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DX FLASH

IDXF DX-PEDITION TO DESECHEO ISLAND

JUNE 8 - 15 — ALL BANDS

12 operators, 3 stations, 'round the clock operation
(Listening for IDXF members on the hour)

5V7HL — Rev. Ted Schultz



Ted and his call, 5V7HL, are well known to DXers, the world over. He is very active on the amateur bands and has been host to several guest operators during their trips to West Africa.

Ted and Laura have been working in West Africa for 30 years, spending 23 of them in the country of Benin, operating with the call TY6ATE. They have been living in Lomé, Togo, since July 1973, where Ted is the president of The West Africa Advanced School of Theology.

For contacts with Ted, QSL direct to Rev. Ted Schultz, Assembly of God, B. P. 8062, Tokoin, Lomé, Togo, West Africa.

Slide Presentations

Unfortunately, the people who are most inundated with work here at IDXF are also the only ones able to properly put together a good IDXF slide presentation. This most difficult and time consuming job involves sorting the slides and preparing a taped narrative complete with beeps! Then a complete duplicate set must be made (not cheap) so that the originals can be saved in case of loss. We fully expected to have something together by now, but we are sorry to say that we just haven't had a chance. To those who wrote and got no response, we deeply apologize.

The safest thing we can do right now is to offer only what is presently available. We have a fine presentation on Campbell Island (ZL4LR/A) from 1978 narrated by Ray Brown, ZL3FE/ZL4LR/A himself. This is not related to IDXF but is available through the mail. Also available, in person only, are 1S1DX, 1979 Spratly DXpedition and 9M6MU, 1980 Sabah DXpedition. Duplicates are not available at present (although we would hope to have them soon). These "in person" presentations are available only if certain arrangements can be made ahead of time. Write for details.

We will notify our membership through the IDXF Newsletter as soon as any other presentations become available.

The costs of reproducing, developing and mailing these programs are quite high and we fully expect assistance in helping to offset these expenses.

New Life Members

Recent additions to the roster of Life Membership are W3MP, WA4DRU, N4DX, N5ADC, W6NLG, DF9ZP, JF2IRT and VP2MH.

527 Members in 49 Countries

IDXF Membership Totals as of May 9, 1981

	Full	Associate	Life	Total		Full	Associate	Life	Total		Full	Associate	Life	Total
W1	26	8	1	35	G				2	VK	4	2		6
W2	49	20	3	72	GM	1			1	VP2M			1	1
W3	25	3	1	29	HC	1			1	VP2V	1			1
W4	42	23	3	68	HI8	1	1		2	VP9	1			1
W5	32	8	2	42	HP	1			1	VS5			2	2
W6	30	8	1	39	HZ	1			1	VS6			1	1
W7	22	2	0	24	I	5	3		8	VU			1	1
W8	27	9	0	36	JA	9	2	2	13	XE	4			4
W9	18	6	0	24	KH6		2		2	YS	1			1
W0	22	6	0	28	KL7	5			5	YV	3	2		5
Total W	293	93	11	397	KP4	1	2		3	ZD8	1			1
					KV4			1	1	ZL		1		1
A7	1			1	LA	1	2		3	4S7		1	1	2
CO		1		1	LU	7	1		8	5B4	1			1
CP	1			1	OH	1			1	9K2	1			1
CX	1			1	ON		2		2	9M6			1	1
DL	3	2	1	6	OZ	1			1	9N1			1	1
DU	1			1	PY	1	6		7	9Y4			2	2
EA	1	1		2	PZ		1		1	Total DX	70	46	14	130-
EA6		3		3	SM	2			2	Grand				
F		2		2	VE	7	7		14	Total	363	139	25	527

Djibouti and Abu Ail DXpedition

Many thanks to Franz Langer, DJ9ZB, for his nice letter to IDXF and some photos of the recent DXpedition to Djibouti and Abu Ail in December, 1980.

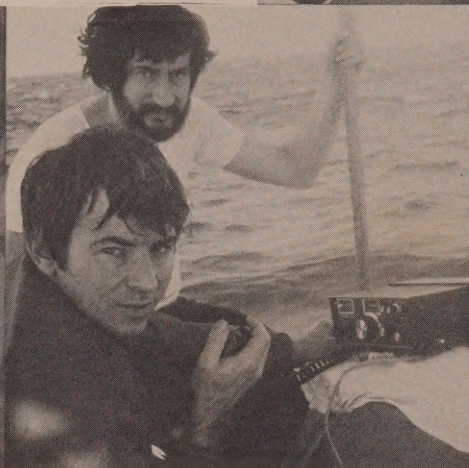
Approximately 16,500 contacts were made in the 3½ days. High winds and rough water made for a 48 hour trip back to Djibouti after closing down at J2Ø/A.

Dave Gardner, K6LPL, was also a team member of this DXpedition. FB job!

DJ9ZB at the operating position on Abu Ail, J2Ø/A.



J28AZ, Pierre at the mike, J28CP



DJ9ZB and TU2IR enroute to Abu Ail in the Red Sea



At J2Ø/A before moving to the lighthouse

ANZA Net Supports IDXF

Excerpts from a recent letter to Jim Grauser, WB2KXA from Claud Welsh, VK4DK:

"Many thanks Jim for your letter explaining the donation of equipment by IDXF to Ian Doncaster, VK4NIC/3X. I have contacted Ian some 60 times on 14 and 21 MHz., relaying traffic to Brisbane.

"The ANZA Net operates on 21203 daily at 0500Z and VK3PA is control. Myself, VK4DK, acts as control on Monday; VK3PF or HKØFBB on Tuesday; VK3AH on Wednesday; VK2CK on Thursday; and VK3PA on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. We have put through some 600 stations to 3X on the nets on 21203 and 14175.

"I recently came up with the idea, after hearing of the IDXF aid to 3X of asking for donations from the net. I am happy to enclose a bank draft for \$97.76 collected to further IDXF. My best regards."

The IDXF expresses thanks to the ANZA Net and has made the net, c/o Claud Welsh, VK4DK, a full member of IDXF for 4 years.

Editorial

Welcome to our new members of IDXF. 527 members in 49 countries — quite an accomplishment in a short time. Promote IDXF to your DX friends, have them drop us a line at P. O. Box 117, Manahawkin, New Jersey 08050, U.S.A., for details. Soon it may be possible to contact IDXF members in 100 countries — we're half way now!

73 W2HAZ

1981 West African Trip

Karl J. Renz, K4YT

This was my fifth trip to Africa and once again I was able to operate from various countries in West Africa thanks to the resident hams. Specifically I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the following who assisted me in obtaining licenses, provided their station for my use or invited me to be a guest operator in their shack: 5T5CJ Jacques, 5T5JD Jose, 5T5ZR Romano; 6W8MW/GT Maroun and Juanita; VK4NIC/3X Ian; C5ACG Dick, C5AAK Manfred (Special Assistant to the Minister of Telecommunications); TU2JJ Bill, TU2JD Richard; 9G1RT Rod; 5V7HL Ted; and TYA11 Jim (N4HX).

I made 1700 contacts from 5T5, 3000 from C5, 500 from 5V7, 3000 from TU4 and 4500 from TY. Also made 7000 contacts as guest operator at VK4NIC/3X. Operated as XT2AU, XT2AW as well as 9G1RT for total of 1000 QSOs.

(More on this trip, with pictures, next issue. — Ed.)

New Members

Those of you who recently joined us and have been awaiting your membership certificates, etc. — Good News! New certificates, membership cards and IDXF logo sheets are now in the hands of Barbara Sweet, WA2KCL, who will be mailing them to our full and associate members.

Gary Medford, N2CW, will handle the certificates for our Life Members.